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TAGS: EGEN, UR, US

SUBJ: OCCIDENTIAL PETROLEUM SIGNS EIGHT BILLION DOLLAR  
FERTILIZER DEAL

PASS COMMERCE AND TREASURY

REF: MOSCOW 1812

1. ARMAND HAMMER, CHAIRMAN OF OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORP., AND DEPUTY FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER KOMAROV SIGNED AT NOON TODAY (LOCAL) AN AGREEMENT FOR AN EXCHANGE OF FERTILIZERS WITH THE SOVIET UNION. THE CONTRACT, HAVING A 20- YEAR LIFE, IS VALUED AT EIGHT RPT EIGHT BILLION DOLLARS.

2. THIS DEAL, WHICH HAS BEEN UNDER ACTIVE NEGOTIATION FOR 10 MONTHS, PROVIDES FOR SALE OF SUPER PHOSPHATES BY OCCIDENTAL TO USSR IN RETURN FOR SOVIET UREA AND POTASH. ADDITIONALLY, OCCIDENTAL WILL UNDERTAKE TO CONSTRUCT FOUR AMMONIA AND UREA PLANTS IN SOVIET UNION AND WILL RECEIVE A PERCENTAGE OF THEIR  
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PRODUCTION AS PAYMENT IN KIND.

3. HAMMER CALLED ON ME THIS MORNING PRIOR TO SIGNING CEREMONY  
( WHICH I AND ECONOMIC/ COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR BOWDEN ATTENDED)  
TO TELL ME ABOUT CONCLUSION OF AGREEMENT.  
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